(c) whether Government have formulated any plan to assist the State Government to remove this problem; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The Government of Karnataka have informed that there is perennial scarcity of drinking water in Belur, Saligrama, Chitaguppa, Kottur, Kerur, Mundargi, Sadalga, Badami and Navalgund towns.

(c) and (d) The centrally sponsored Accelerated Urban Water Supply Programme has been launched during the 8th Plan to provide assistance to towns having population less than 20,000 (as per 1991 Census) to provide water supply schemes. The scheme provides for 50% Central assistance. Under the programme water supply schemes for Belur, Saligrama, Chitaguppa, Kottur, Kerur, Mundargi & Sadalga have been sanctioned at a total cost of Rs. 438.90 lakhs and an amount of Rs. 190.27 lakhs has been released upto 31.3.96.

Capacity Addition by N.T.P.C.

548. SHRI M.A. BABY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether NTPC has drawn up any perspective plan for the next ten years for capacity addition; and

(b) if so, the details thereof including the proposed location of each project/ expansion?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (DR. S. VENUGOPALACHARI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. National Thermal Power Corporation (NTPC) has drawn up a persective plan for capcity addition during 9th and 10th Plan periods i.e. from the year 1997-98 to 2006-2007. The details of the projects identified for yielding benefits during this 10 years period are as follows:—

Sl. No.	Project	Location	Capacity addition during 9th & 10th Plan (MW)
1	2	3	4
I. Approved and ongoing Projects:			
1.	Vindhyachal Super Thermal Power Project Stage-II	Madhya Pradesh	1000
2.	Unchahar Thermal Power Project State-II	Uttar Pradesh	420
3.	Kayamkulam Combined Cycle Power Project	Kerala	400
	Sub-total I		1820
II. New Projects under consideration:			
1.	Faridabad Gas Power Project	Haryana	

1	2	3		4
2.	Talcher-II	Orissa		2000
3.	Hyderabad Metro Combined Cycle Power Project	Andhra Pradesh		650
4.	Simhadri Thermal Power Project	Andhra Pradesh		1000
5.	Kawas Combined Cycle Power Project Stage-II	Gujarat		650
6.	Rihand Super Thermal Power Project Stage-II	Uttar Prad esh	1000	
7.	Ramagundam Super Thermal Power Project Stage-III	Andhra Pradesh		500
				6200
	Sub-total II			
	III. New Project proposals under formulation:			
1.	Seepat Super Thermal Power Project	Madhya Pradesh		2000
2.	Anta Combined Cycle Power State-II	Rajasthan		400
3.	Auraiya Combined Cycle Power Project State-II	Uttar Pradesh		650
4.	South Madras	Tamil Nadu		2000
	Sub-total III		5050	
		Grand Total		13070

Supply of Arsenic-Free Water to Gujarat

549. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR: Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government have considered the proposal for supplying arsenic-free water for various districts of Gujarat;

(b) if so, the details thereof, alongwith the proposals of Government of Gujarat accepted by the Central Government; and

(c) the action proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI CHANDRADEO PRASAD VERMA): (a) No Sir, No such proposal has been received from the State Government of Gujarat.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.